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SUBJ: CANADIAN VISIT BY GAO

REF: OTTAWA 2354 AND OLSON/WINN 7/26 TELECON

FOLLOWING TEXT FURNISHED BY GAO:

"U. U. GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE (GAO) HAS INITIATED MAJOR REVIEW OF QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. IMPORTS. REVIEW WILL COVER SEVERAL AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS INCLUDING DAIRY PRODUCT IMPORTS REGULATED BY AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT, POTATO AND ONION IMPORTS REGULATED BY USDA MARKETING ORDERS, AND STEEL. GAO STAFF WILL BE DEVELOPING INFORMATION THESE US IMPORT RESTRICTIONS IN US AND IN SEVERAL FOREIGN COUNTRIES INCLUDING CANADA, BRAZIL, MEXICO, AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

"PURPOSE OF TRIP TO CANADA IS TO (1) DETERMINE IF QUOTAS HAVE ANY EFFECT ON EXPORT PRICES TO US, (2) OBTAIN ESTIMATED COST TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS OF ADMINISTERING QUOTAS, (3) DETERMINE HOW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EFFECTIVE QUOTAS HAVE BEEN IN LIMITING EXPORTS TO US, (4)

DETERMINE HOW OTHER COUNTRIES MONITOR AND ASSIST THEIR INDUSTRIES,
AND (5) DISCUSS FOREIGN POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF THE USE OF US
QUOTAS AS A BARRIER TO TRADE.

"EARL MORRISON AND ROBIN WINN OF GAO STAFF WILL ARRIVE IN OTTAWA
ON AUGUST 5.

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MONTREAL CANADA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE REGIONAL OFFICE

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REGIONAL OFFICE

CANADIAN EXPORT ASSOCIATION

QUEBEC DAIRY COUNCIL, INC.

QUEBEC FOOD COUNCIL AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

TORONTO ONTARIO DAIRY COUNCIL

8/20-8/23 ONTARIO FRUIT & VEGETABLE ASSOCIATION

ONTARIO MILK MARKETING BOARD AND OTHER

COUNCILS AND ASSOCIATIONS

SELECTED EXPORTEDS OF THE COMMODITIES

COUNCILS, ASSOCIATIONS, EXPORTERS AND

PRODUCERS OF THE COMMODITIES AT OTHER SELECTED

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